bill H.R. 3076, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4959. Ms. ERNST submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3076, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4960. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1216, to extend the temporary scheduling order for fentanyl-related substances; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4961. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3076, to provide stability to and enhance the services of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4962. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3076, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4963. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3076, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4964. Mrs. CAPITO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3076, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4965. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3076, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4966. Mr. TOOMEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3076, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4967. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3076, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4968. Mr. SCOTT of Florida submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3076, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4969. Mr. SCOTT of Florida submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3076, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 4956. Mr. BARRASSO (for himself and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3076, to provide stability to and enhance the services of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . FERC APPLICATIONS.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—The following policy statements issued by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission shall have no force or effect until the date described in subsection (b):
- (1) The updated policy statement entitled "Updated Policy Statement on Certification of New Interstate Natural Gas Facilities" (Docket No. PL18-1-000 (February 18, 2022)).
- (2) The interim policy statement entitled "Consideration of Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Natural Gas Infrastructure Project Reviews" (Docket No. PL21–3–000 (February 18, 2022))
- (b) DATE DESCRIBED.—The date referred to in subsection (a) is the later of—
- (1) the date on which the Electric Reliability Organization (as defined in section 215(a) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824o(a)) certifies that disruption to pipeline natural gas supplies does not pose material risk to power system reliability in any sea-

son of the year in the territory served by any regional reliability entity, including the Western Electricity Coordinating Council, the Midwest Reliability Organization, the Texas Reliability Entity, and the Northeast Power Coordinating Council: and

(2) the date on which, as determined by the Administrator of the Energy Information Administration, prices for natural gas and wholesale electricity do not exceed, for not fewer than 3 successive calendar quarters, the average of prices for natural gas and wholesale electricity that were in effect for calendar years 2018, 2019, and 2020.

(c) REQUIREMENT TO TIMELY PROCESS FERC APPLICATIONS.—Unless and until the conditions described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (b) are met, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission shall timely process applications under section 3(e) and section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717b(e), 717f) pursuant to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 1999 Policy Statement on the Certification of New Interstate Natural Gas Facilities (Docket No. PL99–3–000 (September 15, 1999)).

(d) RIGHT TO SEEK RELIEF.—Any party aggrieved by the failure of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to process an application described in subsection (c) in a reasonable time period may seek equitable relief in any Federal court of competent jurisdiction.

SA 4957. Mr. BARRASSO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3076, to provide stability to and enhance the services of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

TITLE ____ENERGY SECURITY

SEC. ___01. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "Energy Security Cooperation with Allied Partners in Europe Act of 2021".

SEC. ___02. STATEMENT OF POLICY.

It is the policy of the United States-

- (1) to reduce the dependency of allies and partners of the United States on Russian energy resources, especially natural gas, in order for those countries to achieve lasting and dependable energy security;
- (2) to condemn the Government of the Russian Federation for, and to deter that government from, using its energy resources as a geopolitical weapon to coerce, intimidate, and influence other countries:
- (3) to improve energy security in Europe by increasing access to diverse, reliable, and affordable energy;
- (4) to promote energy security in Europe by working with the European Union and other allies of the United States to develop liberalized energy markets that provide diversified energy sources, suppliers, and routes;
- (5) to continue to strongly oppose the Nord Stream 2 pipeline based on its detrimental effects on the energy security of the European Union and the economy of Ukraine and other countries in Central Europe through which natural gas is transported; and
- (6) to support countries that are allies or partners of the United States by expediting the export of energy resources from the United States.

SEC. ___03. NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION.

The President should direct the United States Permanent Representative on the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (in this title referred to as "NATO") to use the voice and influence of the United

States to encourage NATO member countries, including the United States, to work together to achieve energy security for those countries and countries in Europe and Eurasia that are partners of NATO.

SEC. 04. TRANSATLANTIC ENERGY STRATEGY.

- (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the United States and other NATO member countries should explore ways to ensure that NATO member countries diversify their energy supplies and routes in order to enhance their energy security, including through the development of a transatlantic energy strategy.
 - (b) TRANSATLANTIC ENERGY STRATEGY.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development and the Secretary of Energy, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a transatlantic energy strategy, to be presented to NATO—
- (A) to enhance the energy security of NATO member countries and countries that are partners of NATO; and
- (B) to increase exports of energy from the United States to such countries.
- (2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means—
- (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate; and
- (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives.

SEC. ___05. EXPEDITED APPROVAL OF EXPORTATION OF NATURAL GAS TO UNITED STATES ALLIES.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3(c) of the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717b(c)) is amended—
- (1) by inserting "(1)" before "For purposes":
- (2) by striking "nation with which there is in effect a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas" and inserting "foreign country described in paragraph (2)"; and
 - (3) by adding at the end the following:
- $\lq\lq(2)$ A foreign country described in this paragraph is—
- "(A) a nation with which there is in effect a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas;
- "(B) a member country of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization;
 - "(C) subject to paragraph (3), Japan; and
- "(D) any other foreign country if the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, determines that exportation of natural gas to that foreign country would promote the national security interests of the United States.
- "(3) The exportation of natural gas to Japan shall be deemed to be consistent with the public interest pursuant to paragraph (1), and applications for such exportation shall be granted without modification or delay under that paragraph, during only such period as the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security, signed at Washington January 19, 1960, and entered into force June 23, 1960 (11 UST 1632; TIAS 4509), between the United States and Japan, remains in effect."
- (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to applications for the authorization to export natural gas under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717b) that are pending on, or filed on or after, the date of the enactment of this Act.

SA 4958. Ms. ERNST submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by